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(d) The arrear balance and the current balance as on 30th November 1960 relating to both "rent due to the temple on Sri Pandaravagai lands" and "Thiruppuvaram" are Rs. 4,12,229·68 and Rs. 39,614·57 respectively. Separate figures for Maniamkaram and Thiruppuvaram are not available. Rent in kind has been reduced to money value.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : In view of the mounting up of arrears on the heads of poor ryots, may I know whether the Government will take immediate steps to abolish it?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, Sir, we are also anxious to do the needful reform and we shall expedite it as soon as possible.

Master Plan (Cities and Townships)

MR. SPEAKER : As the hon. Member, who gave notice of question No. 665 is not in his seat, the question and answer will be printed in the proceedings.

* 665 *Q.*—SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to have a Master Plan for Madras, Madurai, Tiruchirappalli and Coimbatore and for the various Townships in the State; and

(b) the nature of assistance received from the Centre?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No assistance has been received so far from the Centre.

S.S.L.C. Examination Fee

* 666 *Q.*—SRI T. T. DANIEL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the students from the Madras City appearing for the S.S.L.C. examination can remit the examination fee by postal orders;

(b) whether this concession is proposed to be extended to mufassal students; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) *to* (c) Till 1957, the examination fees from *private* candidates appearing for various Government examinations, from the City of Madras, were remitted into the Reserve Bank of India. As the Reserve Bank expressed its inability to receive small amounts over the bank's counter, it was ordered in 1957, that private candidates from the city may remit their examination fees in the shape of postal orders. As no special difficulty is experienced by the treasuries in the mufassal in receiving the remittances, from the private students, it is not proposed to extend the scope of the orders to such students outside Madras City.